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# WELCOMING WEEK



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## SEPTEMBER 15-24, 2017



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## Schedule of Events

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**Beyond BOLD: Opening Reception | 5:30-6:30 PM**  
Beaverton City Library, Cathy Stanton Conference Room (12375 SW 5th St.)  
Come see the City of Beaverton's Beyond BOLD photography display! The BOLD program develops leadership capacity in Beaverton's immigrant and refugee communities and communities of color.

**Story Slam | 7-8:30 PM**  
Beaverton City Library, Auditorium (12375 SW 5th St.)  
Have a "Moving" story to share? Want to hear others' stories of departures and arrivals? The Story Slam is an open mic, friendly storytelling competition. Come tell a story or just enjoy the show!

SPECIAL  
PRE-WELCOMING  
WEEK BONUS  
EVENTS!

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**Celebrating Indian Culture | 6:30-8 PM**  
Conestoga Recreation & Aquatic Center (THPRD) (9985 SW 125th Ave.)  
Enjoy food, rangoli, Indian dancing, henna tattoos and a photo booth celebrating Indian culture.

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**Latin America in the Market: A Celebration of Mexico and Central American Independence Day | 8 AM-1 PM**  
Beaverton Farmer's Market (SW Hall Blvd. between 3rd and 5th Street)  
Celebrate with fresh-from-the-market food demos and tastings, Latin American music, heritage crafts, a curated mini marketplace of Latin American merchandise, piñatas, and a bilingual children's book reading from author Patricia Morrissey!

**Beaverton International Celebration | 1-6 PM**  
Tualatin Hills Athletic Center (50 NW 158th Ave.)  
Join us for an afternoon of art, dance, music, and interactive activities showcasing our many cultures in Beaverton.

**Interfaith Riverwalk\* | 9:30 AM-1 PM**  
Cook Park (16659 SW 90th Pl., Tigard)  
Tualatin Riverkeepers and Washington County faith partners invite you to visit the watershed and learn the value of water through performance, dialogue, and reflection.

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**Symphony of Cultures | 3 PM**  
Village Baptist Church (330 SW Murray Blvd.)  
The Beaverton Symphony Orchestra will present a free multicultural concert, inspired by a solidarity concert conducted in Germany to welcome refugees from Syria.

**Welcome Beaverton Potluck | 4 PM**  
Evelyn M Schiffler Memorial Park (SW Erickson Ave.)  
Immigrants and U.S.-born residents of Beaverton will share a meal and build relationships at this local potluck. Space is limited, RSVP to Lorie Jacob at lorie.ros@gmail.com. Include your name and what food you plan to bring.

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**African Film Screening | 6 PM**  
Beaverton City Library, Auditorium (12375 SW 5th St.)  
Come see a family-friendly film presented by the Cascade Festival of African Films! The film festival is well known for the incredible richness of its films, as well as for the unique opportunity it presents to interact with some of the leading lights in African cinema.

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**Cultural Fusion Poetry\* | 6-8:30 PM**  
Beaverton City Library, World Languages Room (12375 SW 5th St.)  
Build cultural bridges with Prisma Comm as a bilingual (Spanish/English) community poet guides the group through the creative process, writing poetry to express how we feel about each other, our city, and our personal life experiences. RSVP by calling (503) 644-2197 x2 or online at [www.beavertonlibrary.org/register](http://www.beavertonlibrary.org/register).

**Behind the Scenes with Beaverton Civic Theatre | 7 PM**  
Beaverton City Library, Auditorium (12375 SW 5th St.)  
Explore welcoming with *You Can't Take it With You*, a comedy about meeting another family for the first time. It's followed by *You do Speak English, Don't You?*, a play based on the challenges Czech-American couple Mark and Helen Greathouse have experienced.

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**We are a Welcoming Community Rally | 6 PM**  
Sidewalk along SW Hall Blvd. at Fifth St. (across from library)  
Join Campaign Nonviolence to acknowledge the efforts of community groups that welcome refugees and immigrants. Learn more about services provided to Newcomers in Washington County including food, transportation, tutoring, and resettlement assistance.

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**We Welcome Entrepreneurs Beaverton\* | 4-8 PM**  
BESThq (12745 SW Beaverdam Rd.)  
Adelante Mujeres and BESThq invite entrepreneurs to network with state and local nonprofits, agencies, and resources for starting and growing their business in Beaverton! Stay for the fiesta with food, music, and mingling!

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**Learning about Taiwan from the Art of Tea\* | 1-3:30 PM**  
Beaverton City Library, Meeting Room A (12375 SW 5th St.)  
Join the Formosa Association of Student Cultural Ambassadors on a family-friendly journey through Taiwanese tea history, attending a tea ceremony, preparing mashed Hakka tea, and sampling bubble tea.

\*2017 Welcoming Beaverton Mini-Grant recipient.

## Celebrate Welcoming Week

During this annual series of events, communities bring together immigrants, refugees, and U.S.-born residents to raise awareness of the benefits of welcoming everyone.



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